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Auditor of State David A. Vaudt today released an audit report on Clarke Community School District in Osceola, Iowa.

The District's revenues totaled \$13,795,876 for the year ended June 30, 2007, a 6% increase over 2006. The revenues included \$3,644,830 in local tax, \$810,622 in local option sales and services tax, \$213,794 in income surtax, charges for service of \$1,080,514, operating grants, contributions and restricted interest of \$1,946,445, capital grants, contributions and restricted interest of \$40,176, unrestricted investment earnings of \$137,348, unrestricted grants of \$5,726,078 and other general revenues of \$196,069.

Expenses for District operations totaled \$12,992,899, a 6% increase over the prior year, and included \$4,781,006 for regular instruction, \$1,824,762 for special instruction and \$1,282,131 for administrative services.

The increase in revenues is due primarily to an increase in state and local revenue, including local option sales and services tax. The increase in expenses is due primarily to an increase in negotiated salary and benefits and restricted grant expenditures.

A copy of the audit report is available for review in the District Secretary's office, in the Office of Auditor of State and on the Auditor of State's web site at <http://auditor.iowa.gov/reports/reports.htm>.

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**CLARKE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS**  
**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**

**JUNE 30, 2007**

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**Clarke Community School District**

**Officials**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
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**Board of Education**

**(Before September 2006 Election)**

Doug Stearns	President	2008
Linda Henry	Vice President	2008
Michael Evink	Board Member	2006
Jeff Wilken	Board Member	2006
Kevin Dorland	Board Member	Resigned Apr 2006
Kris Lange	Board Member	2007
Michael Motsinger	Board Member	Resigned Dec 2005
Chuck DeVos (Appointed)	Board Member	2006
Edward White (Appointed)	Board Member	2006

**Board of Education**

**(After September 2006 Election)**

Doug Stearns	President	2008
Linda Henry	Vice President	2008
Kris Lange	Board Member	2007
Mark Jones (Appointed)	Board Member	2007
Edward White	Board Member	2007
Michael Evink	Board Member	2009
Jeff Wilken	Board Member	2009

**School Officials**

Ned Cox	Superintendent	2008
Ruth White	District Secretary/Treasurer and Business Manager	Indefinite
Jeff Krausman	Attorney	Indefinite

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**Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of Education of  
Clarke Community School District:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Clarke Community School District, Osceola, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of District officials. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

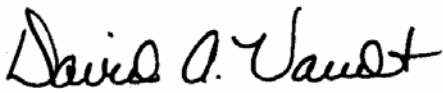
We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Clarke Community School District at June 30, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

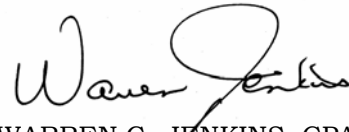
In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated September 20, 2007 on our consideration of Clarke Community School District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Management's Discussion and Analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 7 through 15 and 42 through 44 are not required parts of the basic financial statements, but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. We did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Clarke Community School District's basic financial statements. We previously audited, in accordance with the standards referred to in the second paragraph of this report, the financial statements for the five years ended June 30, 2006 (which are not presented herein) and expressed unqualified opinions on those financial statements. Other supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 6, including the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.



DAVID A. VAUDT, CPA  
Auditor of State



WARREN G. JENKINS, CPA  
Chief Deputy Auditor of State

September 20, 2007

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## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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Clarke Community School District provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. The analysis focuses on the District's financial performance as a whole for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. Please read it in conjunction with the District's financial statements, which follow.

### 2007 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- General Fund revenues increased from \$10,677,768 in fiscal year 2006 to \$11,075,293 in fiscal year 2007, while General Fund expenditures increased from \$10,636,257 in fiscal year 2006 to \$11,201,372 in fiscal year 2007. The District's General Fund balance decreased from \$1,663,350 in fiscal year 2006 to \$1,632,275 in fiscal year 2007, a 2% decrease.
- The increase in General Fund revenues was attributable to an increase in local and state revenue. The increase in expenditures was due primarily to an increase in negotiated salary and benefits and restricted grant expenditures.

### USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements and other information, as follows:

Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the District's financial activities.

The Government-wide Financial Statements consist of a Statement of Net Assets and a Statement of Activities. These provide information about the activities of Clarke Community School District as a whole and present an overall view of the District's finances.

The Fund Financial Statements tell how governmental services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements report Clarke Community School District's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the most significant funds. The remaining statements provide financial information about activities for which Clarke Community School District acts solely as an agent or custodian for the benefit of those outside of the School District.

Notes to Financial Statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

Required Supplementary Information further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the District's budget for the year.

Other Supplementary Information provides detailed information about the nonmajor funds. In addition, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards provides details of various programs benefiting the District.



Figure A-1 shows how the various parts of this annual report are arranged and relate to one another.

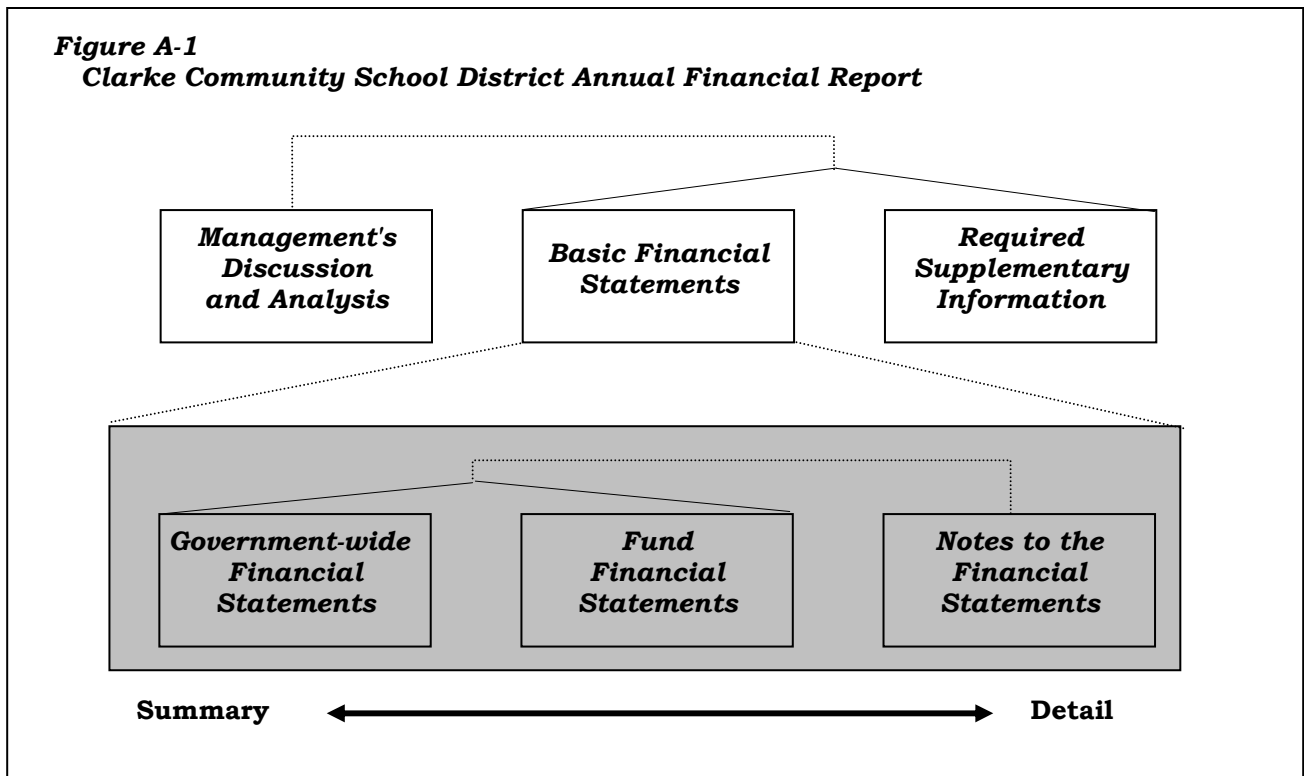


Figure A-2 summarizes the major features of the District's financial statements, including the portion of the District's activities they cover and the types of information they contain.

**Figure A-2**

**Major Features of the Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements**

	Government-wide Statements	Fund Statements		
		Governmental Funds	Proprietary Funds	Fiduciary Funds
Scope	Entire District (except fiduciary funds)	The activities of the District that are not proprietary or fiduciary, such as special education and building maintenance	Activities the District operates similar to private businesses: food services	Instances in which the District administers resources on behalf of someone else, such as scholarship programs
Required financial statements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statement of net assets</li> <li>• Statement of activities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Balance sheet</li> <li>• Statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statement of net assets</li> <li>• Statement of revenues, expenses and changes in fund net assets</li> <li>• Statement of cash flows</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statement of fiduciary net assets</li> <li>• Statement of changes in fiduciary net assets</li> </ul>
Accounting basis and measurement focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Modified accrual accounting and current financial resources focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus
Type of asset/liability information	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, short-term and long-term	Generally, assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter; no capital assets or long-term liabilities included	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, short-term and long-term	All assets and liabilities, both short-term and long-term; funds do not currently contain capital assets, although they can
Type of inflow/outflow information	All revenues and expenses during year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year; expenditures when goods or services have been received and the related liability is due during the year or soon thereafter	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	All additions and deductions during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid

## REPORTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

### *Government-wide Financial Statements*

The government-wide financial statements report information about the District as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private sector companies. The Statement of Net Assets includes all of the District's assets and liabilities. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the Statement of Activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two government-wide financial statements report the District's net assets and how they have changed. Net assets – the difference between the District's assets and liabilities – are one way to measure the District's financial health or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net assets are an indicator of whether financial position is improving or deteriorating. To assess the District's overall health, additional non-financial factors, such as changes in the District's property tax base and the condition of school buildings and other facilities, need to be considered.

In the government-wide financial statements, the District's activities are divided into two categories:

- *Governmental activities:* Most of the District's basic services are included here, such as regular and special education, transportation and administration. Property tax and state aid finance most of these activities.
- *Business type activities:* The District charges fees to help cover the costs of certain services it provides. The District's food service program is included here.

### *Fund Financial Statements*

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's funds, focusing on its most significant or "major" funds – not the District as a whole. Funds are accounting devices the District uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending on particular programs.

Some funds are required by state law and by bond covenants. The District establishes other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes (such as repaying its long-term debts) or to show it is properly using certain revenues (such as federal grants).

The District has three kinds of funds:

- 1) *Governmental funds:* Most of the District's basic services are included in governmental funds, which generally focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental funds statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's programs.

The District's governmental funds include the General Fund, the Special Revenue Funds, the Debt Service Fund and the Capital Projects Fund.

The required financial statements for governmental funds include a balance sheet and a statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances.

- 2) *Proprietary funds:* Services for which the District charges a fee are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are reported in the same way as the Government-wide financial statements. The District's Enterprise Fund, one type of proprietary fund, is the same as its business type activities, but provides more detail and additional information, such as cash flows. The District currently has one Enterprise Fund, the School Nutrition Fund. Internal Service Funds, the other type of proprietary fund, are optional and available to report activities that provide supplies and services for other District programs and activities. The District currently has one Internal Service Fund, the Flex Spending Fund.

The required financial statements for proprietary funds include a statement of net assets, a statement of revenues, expenses and changes in fund net assets and a statement of cash flows.

- 3) *Fiduciary funds*: The District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for assets that belong to others. These funds include Private-Purpose Trust and Agency Funds.

- Private-Purpose Trust Fund – The District accounts for outside donations for scholarships for individual students in this fund.
- Agency Funds – These are funds through which the District administers and accounts for certain federal and/or state grants on behalf of other Districts and certain revenue collected for District employee purchases.

The District is responsible for ensuring the assets reported in the fiduciary funds are used only for their intended purposes and by those to whom the assets belong. The District excludes these activities from the government-wide financial statements because it cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

The required financial statements for fiduciary funds includes a statement of fiduciary net assets and a statement of changes in fiduciary net assets.

Reconciliations between the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements follow the fund financial statements.

## FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of financial position. The following analysis shows the District's total net assets at end of the fiscal year.

<b>Figure A-3</b>							
<b>Condensed Statement of Net Assets</b>							
<b>(Expressed in Thousands)</b>							
	Governmental Activities		Business Type Activities		Total District		Total Change
	June 30		June 30		June 30		June 30
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2006-2007
Current and other assets	\$ 7,981	7,559	182	226	8,163	7,785	378
Capital assets	9,559	9,683	69	54	9,628	9,737	(109)
Total assets	17,540	17,242	251	280	17,791	17,522	269
Long-term liabilities	4,951	5,355	-	-	4,951	5,355	(404)
Other liabilities	4,601	4,731	49	50	4,650	4,781	(131)
Total liabilities	9,552	10,086	49	50	9,601	10,136	(535)
Net assets:							
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	4,877	4,580	69	54	4,946	4,634	312
Restricted	1,523	959	-	-	1,523	959	564
Unrestricted	1,588	1,617	133	176	1,721	1,793	(72)
Total net assets	\$ 7,988	7,156	202	230	8,190	7,386	804

Net assets increased \$802,977, or 12%. The largest portion of the District's net assets is invested in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings and equipment), less the related debt. The debt related to the investment in capital assets is liquidated with resources other than capital assets. Restricted net assets represent resources subject to external restrictions, constitutional provisions or enabling legislation on how they can be used. Unrestricted net assets, the part of net assets that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints, is \$1,720,504.

Figure A-4 shows the change in net assets for the years ended June 30, 2007 and 2006.

<b>Figure A-4</b> <b>Change in Net Assets</b> <b>(Expressed in Thousands)</b>							
	Governmental Activities		Business Type Activities		Total District		Total Change
	June 30		June 30		June 30		June 30
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2006-2007
Revenues:							
Program revenues:							
Charges for service	\$ 809	900	272	268	1,081	1,168	(87)
Operating grants, contributions and restricted interest	1,666	1,454	280	272	1,946	1,726	220
Capital grants, contributions and restricted interest	40	60	-	-	40	60	(20)
General revenues:							
Property tax	3,645	3,528	-	-	3,645	3,528	117
Local option sales and services tax	811	661	-	-	811	661	150
Income surtax	214	177	-	-	214	177	37
Unrestricted state grants	5,726	5,615	-	-	5,726	5,615	111
Unrestricted investment earnings	127	83	10	7	137	90	47
Other	196	36	-	-	196	36	160
Total revenues	13,234	12,514	562	547	13,796	13,061	735
Program expenses:							
Instruction	7,766	7,471	-	-	7,766	7,471	295
Support services	3,603	3,269	-	-	3,603	3,269	334
Non-instructional programs	61	10	590	571	651	581	70
Other expenses	972	968	-	-	972	968	4
Total expenses	12,402	11,718	590	571	12,992	12,289	703
Change in net assets	832	796	(28)	(24)	804	772	32
Net assets beginning of year	7,156	6,360	230	254	7,386	6,614	772
Net assets end of year	\$ 7,988	7,156	202	230	8,190	7,386	804

Property tax and unrestricted state grants account for 71% of the total revenue. The District's expenses primarily relate to instruction and support services, which account for 92% of the total expenses.

### Governmental Activities

Revenues for governmental activities were \$13,234,030 and expenses were \$12,402,888. The increase in revenues can be attributed to an increase in local and state revenue.

The following table presents the total and net cost of the District's major governmental activities: instruction, support services, non-instructional programs and other expenses.

<b>Figure A-5</b>				
<b>Total and Net Cost of Governmental Activities</b>				
<b>(Expressed in Thousands)</b>				
	Total Cost		Net Cost	
	of Services		of Services	
	June 30		June 30	
	2006	2006	2006	2006
Instruction	\$ 7,766	7,471	5,969	5,593
Support services	3,603	3,269	3,435	3,216
Non-instructional programs	61	10	-	9
Other expenses	972	968	483	486
Total	\$ 12,402	11,718	9,887	9,304

- The cost financed by users of the District's programs was \$809,140.
- Federal and state governments subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions totaling \$1,666,187.
- The net cost of governmental activities was financed with \$4,669,246 in property and other taxes and \$5,726,078 in unrestricted state grants.

### **Business Type Activities**

Revenues for business-type activities were \$561,846 while expenses were \$590,011. The District's business type activities include the School Nutrition Fund. Revenues of these activities were comprised of charges for service, federal and state reimbursements and investment income.

### **INDIVIDUAL FUND ANALYSIS**

As previously noted, Clarke Community School District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

The financial performance of the District as a whole is reflected in its governmental funds, as well. As the District completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$3,176,828, an increase over last year's ending fund balance of \$2,664,906.

### **Governmental Fund Highlights**

- The General Fund balance decreased from a balance of \$1,663,350 at June 30, 2006 to \$1,632,275 at June 30, 2007, due in part to an increase in negotiated salaries and benefits.
- The Physical Plant and Equipment Levy (PPEL) Fund balance increased from a balance of \$304,235 at June 30, 2006 to \$577,711 at June 30, 2007. While revenues remained fairly consistent, the District reduced spending in the PPEL Fund to increase the balance which will be used for the future construction of the new central office and alternative education classrooms building.

### **Proprietary Fund Highlights**

- School Nutrition Fund net assets decreased from \$230,164 at June 30, 2006 to \$201,999 at June 30, 2007.

## BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the Board of Education annually adopts a budget following required public notice and hearing for all funds except Internal Service, Private Purpose Trust and Agency Funds. This is referred to as the certified budget. The certified budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures. The District's certified budget is prepared on a GAAP basis. The certified budget was not amended in fiscal year 2007.

The District's revenues were \$631,185 less than budgeted revenues. The most significant variance resulted from the district receiving less state and federal aid than originally anticipated.

Total expenditures were less than budgeted, due primarily to the District's budget for the General Fund. It is the District's practice to budget expenditures at the maximum authorized spending authority for the General Fund. The District then manages or controls General Fund spending through its line item budget.

## CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

### Capital Assets

At June 30, 2007, the District had invested, net of depreciation, \$9.6 million in a broad range of assets, including newly remodeled school buildings that are not significantly depreciated, athletic facilities, computer and audio-visual equipment, and vehicles. (See Figure A-6). More detailed information about the District's capital assets is presented in Note 4 to the financial statements. Depreciation expense for the year was \$403,176.

The original cost of the District's capital assets was \$15 million. Governmental funds account for \$14.7 million, with the remaining \$0.3 million accounted for in the Proprietary, School Nutrition Fund.

<b>Figure A-6</b>						
<b>Capital Assets, net of Depreciation</b>						
<b>(expressed in thousands)</b>						
	Governmental Activities		Business Type Activities		Total District	
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
Land	\$ 78	78	-	-	78	78
Construction in progress	12	258	-	-	12	258
Buildings	8,384	8,226	-	-	8,384	8,226
Improvements other than buildings	489	536	-	-	489	536
Furniture and equipment	596	585	69	54	665	639
Total	\$ 9,559	9,683	69	54	9,628	9,737

### Long-Term Liabilities

At June 30, 2007, the District had \$4,951,048 in general obligation bonds, capital loan notes and other long-term liabilities outstanding. This represents a decrease of approximately 8% from last year (See Figure A-7). Additional information about the District's long-term liabilities is presented in Note 5 to the financial statements.

The District had total outstanding general obligation bonded indebtedness at June 30, 2007 of \$4,260,000 and outstanding capital loan notes of \$422,359.

<b>Figure A-7</b>		
<b>Outstanding Long-Term Liabilities</b>		
<b>(expressed in thousands)</b>		
	2007	2006
General obligation bonds	\$ 4,260	\$4,555
Capital loan notes	422	548
Early retirement	214	200
Compensated absences	55	52
Total	\$ 4,951	5,355

### **FACTORS BEARING ON THE DISTRICT'S FUTURE**

At the time these financial statements were prepared and audited, the District was aware of the following circumstances that could significantly affect its financial health in the future:

- Local option sales and services tax revenues over the next 7 years will have a significant impact on building a new central office/alternative school building and on improvement projects. These funds will also be used to decrease property tax for repaying of the voted PPEL capital loan notes.
- A new Wal-Mart Store is expected to increase substantially the revenue from the Local Option Sales and Services Tax.
- New industry relocating to Osceola.
- District enrollment decreased significantly in fiscal year 2006-2007 by 46.7 students. Under Iowa's school funding formula, District funding is highly dependant upon District enrollment. Projections indicate the District's enrollment will continue to remain steady.

### **CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

This financial report is designed to provide the District's citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability of the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Ned Cox, Superintendent, or Ruth White, Business Manager, Clarke Community School District, 104 ½ South Fillmore, Osceola, Iowa 50213.



**Clarke Community School District**

## **Basic Financial Statements**

## Clarke Community School District

## Statement of Net Assets

June 30, 2007

	Governmental Activities	Business Type Activities	Total
<b>Assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,966,838	174,696	4,141,534
Receivables:			
Property tax:			
Delinquent	105,227	-	105,227
Succeeding year	3,317,000	-	3,317,000
Accounts	26,742	2,149	28,891
Due from other governments	511,328	-	511,328
Prepaid insurance	53,779	1,186	54,965
Inventories	-	4,055	4,055
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	9,559,087	69,403	9,628,490
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>17,540,001</b>	<b>251,489</b>	<b>17,791,490</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Accounts payable	20,357	108	20,465
Salaries and benefits payable	1,136,889	40,191	1,177,080
Due to other governments	68,637	-	68,637
Accrued interest payable	53,526	-	53,526
Deferred revenue:			
Succeeding year property tax	3,317,000	-	3,317,000
Other	4,947	9,191	14,138
Long-term liabilities:			
Portion due within one year:			
General obligation bonds	315,000	-	315,000
Capital loan notes	132,936	-	132,936
Early retirement	74,226	-	74,226
Compensated absences	54,737	-	54,737
Portion due after one year:			
General obligation bonds	3,945,000	-	3,945,000
Capital loan notes	289,423	-	289,423
Early retirement	139,726	-	139,726
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>9,552,404</b>	<b>49,490</b>	<b>9,601,894</b>

## Clarke Community School District

## Statement of Net Assets

June 30, 2007

	Governmental Activities	Business Type Activities	Total
<b>Net assets</b>			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	4,876,728	69,403	4,946,131
Restricted for:			
Management levy	26,969	-	26,969
Physical plant and equipment levy	769,825	-	769,825
Other purposes	726,167	-	726,167
Unrestricted	1,587,908	132,596	1,720,504
<b>Total net assets</b>	<u>\$ 7,987,597</u>	<u>201,999</u>	<u>8,189,596</u>

See notes to financial statements.

Clarke Community School District

Statement of Activities

Year ended June 30, 2007

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues		
		Charges for Service	Operating Grants, Contributions and Restricted Interest	Capital Grants, Contributions and Restricted Interest
Governmental activities:				
Instruction:				
Regular instruction	\$ 4,781,006	272,547	597,658	-
Special instruction	1,824,762	215,435	163,168	-
Other instruction	1,160,480	232,263	316,011	-
	7,766,248	720,245	1,076,837	-
Support services:				
Student services	297,248	7,424	26,177	-
Instructional staff services	348,255	23	-	-
Administration services	1,282,131	4,091	112,039	-
Operation and maintenance of plant services	1,082,546	4,611	-	-
Transportation services	593,191	14,495	-	-
	3,603,371	30,644	138,216	-
Non-instructional programs	60,745	58,251	2,210	-
Other expenditures:				
Facilities acquisition	20,792	-	-	40,176
Long-term debt interest	223,255	-	2,255	-
AEA flowthrough	446,669	-	446,669	-
Depreciation (unallocated)*	281,808	-	-	-
	972,524	-	448,924	40,176
Total governmental activities	12,402,888	809,140	1,666,187	40,176
Business type activities:				
Non-instructional programs:				
Food service operations	590,011	271,374	280,258	-
Total	\$ 12,992,899	1,080,514	1,946,445	40,176
General Revenues:				
Property tax levied for:				
General purposes				
Debt service				
Capital outlay				
Local option sales and services tax				
Income surtax				
Unrestricted state grants				
Unrestricted investment earnings				
Gain on disposal of capital assets				
Miscellaneous				
Total general revenues				
Change in net assets				
Net assets beginning of year				
Net assets end of year				

\* This amount excludes the depreciation included in the direct expenses of the various programs.

See notes to financial statements.

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets		
Governmental Activities	Business Type Activities	Total
(3,910,801)	-	(3,910,801)
(1,446,159)	-	(1,446,159)
(612,206)	-	(612,206)
(5,969,166)	-	(5,969,166)
(263,647)	-	(263,647)
(348,232)	-	(348,232)
(1,166,001)	-	(1,166,001)
(1,077,935)	-	(1,077,935)
(578,696)	-	(578,696)
(3,434,511)	-	(3,434,511)
(284)	-	(284)
19,384	-	19,384
(221,000)	-	(221,000)
-	-	-
(281,808)	-	(281,808)
(483,424)	-	(483,424)
(9,887,385)	-	(9,887,385)
-	(38,379)	(38,379)
(9,887,385)	(38,379)	(9,925,764)
\$ 3,199,237	-	3,199,237
189,523	-	189,523
256,070	-	256,070
810,622	-	810,622
213,794	-	213,794
5,726,078	-	5,726,078
127,134	10,214	137,348
16,410	-	16,410
179,659	-	179,659
10,718,527	10,214	10,728,741
831,142	(28,165)	802,977
7,156,455	230,164	7,386,619
\$ 7,987,597	201,999	8,189,596

## Clarke Community School District

 Balance Sheet  
 Governmental Funds

June 30, 2007

	<div> <div>Special Revenue</div> <div>Physical Plant and Equipment</div> </div>			
	General	Levy	Nonmajor	Total
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 2,553,292	574,084	821,645	3,949,021
Receivables:				
Property tax:				
Delinquent	86,000	7,036	12,191	105,227
Succeeding year	2,581,000	217,000	519,000	3,317,000
Accounts	26,742	-	-	26,742
Due from other governments	177,013	188,705	145,610	511,328
Prepaid insurance	50,775	-	3,004	53,779
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 5,474,822</b>	<b>986,825</b>	<b>1,501,450</b>	<b>7,963,097</b>
<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>				
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$ 16,771	-	3,586	20,357
Salaries and benefits payable	1,130,619	-	6,270	1,136,889
Due to other governments	68,637	-	-	68,637
Deferred revenue:				
Succeeding year property tax	2,581,000	217,000	519,000	3,317,000
Other	45,520	192,114	5,752	243,386
Total liabilities	3,842,547	409,114	534,608	4,786,269
Fund balances:				
Reserved for debt service	-	-	2,908	2,908
Unreserved, reported in:				
General fund	1,632,275	-	-	1,632,275
Special revenue funds	-	577,711	332,302	910,013
Capital projects fund	-	-	631,632	631,632
Total fund balances	1,632,275	577,711	966,842	3,176,828
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances</b>	<b>\$ 5,474,822</b>	<b>986,825</b>	<b>1,501,450</b>	<b>7,963,097</b>

See notes to financial statements.

## Clarke Community School District

Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds  
to the Statement of Net Assets

June 30, 2007

<b>Total fund balances of governmental funds (page 22)</b>	\$ 3,176,828
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***Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Assets are different because:***

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in the governmental funds.	9,559,087
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The Internal Service Fund is used by management to charge the costs of the District's flexible benefit plan to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the Internal Service Fund are included in governmental activities in the Statement of Net Assets.	17,817
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Other long-term assets are not available to pay current period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the governmental funds.	238,439
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Accrued interest payable on long-term liabilities is not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, is not reported as a liability in the governmental funds.	(53,526)
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Long-term liabilities, including bonds and notes, compensated absences and early retirement payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	(4,951,048)
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<b>Net assets of governmental activities (page 19)</b>	<u><u>\$ 7,987,597</u></u>
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See notes to financial statements.



**Exhibit E**

## Clarke Community School District

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances  
Governmental Funds

Year ended June 30, 2007

	Special Revenue			
	Physical Plant and Equipment			
	General	Levy	Nonmajor	Total
Revenues:				
Local sources:				
Local tax	\$ 2,958,573	457,488	1,230,016	4,646,077
Tuition	374,400	-	-	374,400
Other	426,564	17,089	277,214	720,867
State sources	6,760,262	185	321	6,760,768
Federal sources	555,494	-	-	555,494
Total revenues	11,075,293	474,762	1,507,551	13,057,606
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular instruction	4,676,867	-	101,806	4,778,673
Special instruction	1,800,589	-	12,450	1,813,039
Other instruction	920,234	-	238,712	1,158,946
	7,397,690	-	352,968	7,750,658
Support services:				
Student services	299,205	-	1,419	300,624
Instructional staff services	349,418	-	971	350,389
Administration services	1,212,994	-	73,001	1,285,995
Operation and maintenance of plant services	998,919	-	77,134	1,076,053
Transportation services	494,266	-	112,616	606,882
	3,354,802	-	265,141	3,619,943
Non-instructional programs	2,211	-	1,002	3,213
Other expenditures:				
Facilities acquisition	-	42,527	125,114	167,641
Long-term debt:				
Principal	-	-	420,293	420,293
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	232,271	232,271
AEA flowthrough	446,669	-	-	446,669
	446,669	42,527	777,678	1,266,874
Total expenditures	11,201,372	42,527	1,396,789	12,640,688
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(126,079)	432,235	110,762	416,918
Other financing sources (uses):				
Insurance proceeds	95,004	-	-	95,004
Operating transfers in	-	-	440,236	440,236
Operating transfers out	-	(158,759)	(281,477)	(440,236)
Total other financing sources (uses)	95,004	(158,759)	158,759	95,004
Net change in fund balances	(31,075)	273,476	269,521	511,922
Fund balances beginning of year	1,663,350	304,235	697,321	2,664,906
Fund balances end of year	\$ 1,632,275	577,711	966,842	3,176,828

See notes to financial statements.

Clarke Community School District

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and  
Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds  
to the Statement of Activities

Year ended June 30, 2007

**Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (page 24)** \$ 511,922

***Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of  
Activities are different because:***

Capital outlays to purchase or build capital assets are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, those costs are not reported in the Statement of Activities and are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense in the Statement of Activities. Depreciation expense exceeded capital outlay expenditures in the current year, as follows:

Expenditures for capital assets	\$ 279,593	
Depreciation expense	(403,176)	(123,583)

Certain revenues not collected for several months after year end are not considered available revenue and are deferred in the governmental funds. 23,170

Repayment of long-term liabilities is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Assets. 420,293

Interest on long-term debt in the Statement of Activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because interest is recorded as an expenditure in the funds when due. In the Statement of Activities, interest expense is recognized as the interest accrues, regardless of when it is due. 9,017

Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds, as follows:

Early retirement	(14,256)	
Compensated absences	(2,221)	(16,477)

The Internal Service Fund is used by management to charge the costs of the District's flexible benefit plan to individual funds. The change in net assets of the Internal Service Fund is reported in governmental activities. 6,800

**Change in net assets of governmental activities (page 21)** \$ 831,142

See notes to financial statements.

## Clarke Community School District

Statement of Net Assets  
Proprietary Funds

June 30, 2007

	Business Type Activities	Governmental Activities
	Enterprise - School Nutrition	Internal Service - Flex Spending
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 174,696	17,817
Accounts receivable	2,149	-
Prepaid insurance	1,186	-
Inventories	4,055	-
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	69,403	-
<b>Total assets</b>	<u>251,489</u>	<u>17,817</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable	108	-
Salaries and benefits payable	40,191	-
Deferred revenue	9,191	-
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<u>49,490</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Net Assets</b>		
Invested in capital assets	69,402	-
Unrestricted	132,597	17,817
<b>Total net assets</b>	<u>\$ 201,999</u>	<u>17,817</u>

See notes to financial statements.

## Clarke Community School District

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Assets  
Proprietary Funds

Year ended June 30, 2007

	Business Type Activities	Governmental Activities
	Enterprise - School Nutrition	Internal Service - Flex Spending
Operating revenues:		
Local sources:		
Charges for service	\$ 271,374	-
Employee contributions	-	31,807
Total operating revenue	271,374	31,807
Operating expenses:		
Non-instructional programs:		
Food service operations:		
Salaries	171,207	-
Benefits	76,945	-
Purchased services	9,984	-
Supplies	314,433	-
Other	667	25,726
Depreciation	15,058	-
Total operating expenses	588,294	25,726
Operating income (loss)	(316,920)	6,081
Non-operating revenues (expenses):		
State sources	6,637	-
Federal sources	273,621	-
Interest income	10,214	719
Loss on disposal of capital assets	(1,717)	-
Net non-operating revenues	288,755	719
Change in net assets	(28,165)	6,800
Net assets beginning of year	230,164	11,017
Net assets end of year	\$ 201,999	17,817

See notes to financial statements.

**Exhibit I**

## Clarke Community School District

Statement of Cash Flows  
Proprietary Funds

Year ended June 30, 2007

	Business Type Activities	Governmental Activities
	Enterprise - School Nutrition	Internal Service - Flex Spending
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Cash received from sale of lunches and breakfasts	\$ 272,435	-
Cash received from miscellaneous operating activities	-	31,807
Cash paid to suppliers for goods or services	(538,871)	(25,726)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	<u>(266,436)</u>	<u>6,081</u>
Cash flows from non-capital financing activities:		
State grants received	6,637	-
Federal grants received	237,975	-
Net cash provided by non-capital financing activities	<u>244,612</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:		
Acquisition of capital assets	<u>(32,393)</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Interest on investments	<u>10,214</u>	<u>719</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(44,003)	6,800
Cash and cash equivalents beginning of year	<u>218,699</u>	<u>11,017</u>
Cash and cash equivalents end of year	<u>\$ 174,696</u>	<u>17,817</u>

Clarke Community School District

Statement of Cash Flows  
Proprietary Funds

Year ended June 30, 2007

	Business Type Activities	Governmental Activities
	Enterprise - School Nutrition	Internal Service - Flex Spending
<b>Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:</b>		
Operating income (loss)	\$ (316,920)	6,081
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Commodities used	35,646	-
Depreciation	15,058	-
Decrease in accounts receivable	1,026	-
Increase in prepaid insurance	(416)	-
Decrease in inventories	261	-
Decrease in accounts payable	(2,839)	-
Increase in salaries and benefits payable	1,713	-
Increase in deferred revenue	35	-
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	<u>\$ (266,436)</u>	<u>6,081</u>

**Non-cash investing, capital and financing activities:**

During the year ended June 30, 2007, the District received \$35,646 of federal commodities.

See notes to financial statements.

## Clarke Community School District

Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets  
Fiduciary Funds

June 30, 2007

	<u>Private Purpose</u> <u>Trust</u>	
	<u>Scholarship</u>	<u>Agency</u>
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 24,341	194,655
Due from other governments	-	2,559
<b>Total assets</b>	<u>24,341</u>	<u>197,214</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable	-	57,632
Due to other governments	-	100
Trusts payable	-	139,482
Total liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>197,214</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		
Reserved for scholarships	<u>\$ 24,341</u>	<u>-</u>

See notes to financial statements.

Clarke Community School District

Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Assets  
Fiduciary Funds

Year ended June 30, 2007

	Private Purpose Trust Scholarship
Additions:	
Local sources:	
Interest income	\$ 1,897
Deductions:	
None	-
Change in net assets	1,897
Net assets beginning of year	22,444
Net assets end of year	\$ 24,341

See notes to financial statements.



Clarke Community School District

Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2007

**(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

Clarke Community School District is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa and operates public schools for children in grades kindergarten through twelve and special education pre-kindergarten. Additionally, the District either operates or sponsors various adult education programs. These courses include remedial education as well as vocational and recreational courses. The geographic area served includes the City of Osceola, Iowa, and the predominate agricultural territory in Clarke County. The District is governed by a Board of Education whose members are elected on a non-partisan basis.

The District's financial statements are prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

A. Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, Clarke Community School District has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The District has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the District are such that exclusion would cause the District's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the District to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the District. Clarke Community School District has no component units which meet the Governmental Accounting Standards Board criteria.

Jointly Governed Organization – The District participates in a jointly governed organization that provides services to the District but does not meet the criteria of a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. The District is a member of the Clarke County Assessor's Conference Board.

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements – The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the District. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by tax and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for service.

The Statement of Net Assets presents the District's nonfiduciary assets and liabilities, with the difference reported as net assets. Net assets are reported in three categories:

*Invested in capital assets, net of related debt* consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding balances for bonds, notes and other debt attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

*Restricted net assets* result when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

*Unrestricted net assets* consist of net assets not meeting the definition of the two preceding categories. Unrestricted net assets often have constraints on resources imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants, contributions and interest restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property tax and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements – Separate financial statements are provided for governmental, proprietary and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor governmental funds.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the District. All general tax revenues and other revenues not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenditures, including instructional, support and other costs.

The Special Revenue, Physical Plant and Equipment Levy Fund is used to account for all resources from the regular and voter-approved levy used for major expenditures related to real property and equipment.

The District reports the following major proprietary fund:

The Enterprise, School Nutrition Fund is used to account for the food service operations of the District.

Additionally, the District reports a nonmajor proprietary fund. The Internal Service, Flex Spending Fund is utilized to account for employee flexible benefits.

The District also reports fiduciary funds which focus on net assets and changes in net assets. The District's fiduciary funds include the following:

The Private Purpose Trust Fund is used to account for assets held by the District under trust agreements which require income earned to be used to benefit individuals through scholarship awards.

The Agency Fund is used to account for assets held by the District as an agent for individuals, private organizations and other governments. The Agency Fund is custodial in nature, assets equal liabilities, and does not involve measurement of results of operations.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The government-wide, proprietary and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property tax is recognized as revenue in the year for which it is levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been satisfied.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after year end.

Property tax, intergovernmental revenues (shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments) and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the District.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments and compensated absences are recognized as expenditures only when payment is due. Capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the District funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted net assets available to finance the program. It is the District's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs and then general revenues.

The proprietary funds of the District apply all applicable GASB pronouncements, as well as the following pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless these pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements: Financial Accounting Standards Board Statements and Interpretations, Accounting Principles Board Opinions and Accounting Research Bulletins of the Committee on Accounting Procedure.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the District's Enterprise Fund is charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for Enterprise Funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and

expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

D. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Equity

The following accounting policies are followed in preparing the financial statements:

Cash, Pooled Investments and Cash Equivalents – The cash balances of most District funds are pooled and invested. Investments are stated at fair value.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, all short-term cash investments that are highly liquid are considered to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and, at the day of purchase, have a maturity date no longer than three months.

Property Tax Receivable – Property tax in governmental funds is accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Property tax receivable is recognized in these funds on the levy or lien date, which is the date the tax asking is certified by the Board of Education. Delinquent property tax receivable represents unpaid taxes for the current and prior years. The succeeding year property tax receivable represents taxes certified by the Board of Education to be collected in the next fiscal year for the purposes set out in the budget for the next fiscal year. By statute, the District is required to certify its budget in April of each year for the subsequent fiscal year. However, by statute, the tax asking and budget certification for the following fiscal year becomes effective on the first day of that year. Although the succeeding year property tax receivable has been recorded, the related revenue is deferred in both the government-wide and fund financial statements and will not be recognized as revenue until the year for which it is levied.

Property tax revenue recognized in these funds become due and collectible in September and March of the fiscal year with a 1½% per month penalty for delinquent payments; is based on January 1, 2005 assessed property valuations; is for the tax accrual period July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 and reflects the tax asking contained in the budget certified to the County Board of Supervisors in April 2006.

Due from Other Governments – Due from other governments represents amounts due from the State of Iowa, various shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments.

Inventories – Inventories are valued at cost using the first-in, first-out method for purchased items and government commodities. Inventories of proprietary funds are recorded as expenses when consumed rather than when purchased or received.

Capital Assets – Capital assets, which include property, furniture and equipment, are reported in the applicable governmental or business type activities columns in the government-wide Statement of Net Assets. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repair that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial, individual cost in excess of the following thresholds and estimated useful lives in excess of two years.

Asset Class	Amount
Land	\$ 5,000
Buildings	5,000
Improvements other than buildings	5,000
Furniture and equipment:	
School Nutrition Fund equipment	500
Other furniture and equipment	5,000

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Asset Class	Estimated Useful Lives (In Years)
Buildings	50 years
Improvements other than buildings	20 years
Furniture and equipment	4-12 years

Salaries and Benefits Payable – Payroll and related expenditures for teachers with annual contracts corresponding to the current school year, which are payable in July and August, have been accrued as liabilities.

Deferred Revenue – Although certain revenues are measurable, they are not available. Available means collected within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Deferred revenue in the governmental fund financial statements represents the amount of assets that have been recognized, but the related revenue has not been recognized since the assets are not collected within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Deferred revenue consists of unspent grant proceeds, income surtax, as well as property tax receivable and other receivables not collected within sixty days after year end.

Deferred revenue in the Statement of Net Assets consists of succeeding year property tax receivable that will not be recognized as revenue until the year for which it is levied and unspent grant proceeds.

Compensated Absences – District employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, death or retirement. A liability is recorded when incurred in the government-wide financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental fund financial statements only for employees who have resigned or retired. The compensated absences liability has been computed based on rates of pay in effect at June 30, 2007. The compensated absences liability attributable to the governmental activities will be paid by the General Fund.

Long-Term Liabilities – In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the governmental activities column in the Statement of Net Assets.

Fund Equity – In the governmental fund financial statements, reservations of fund balance are reported for amounts not available for appropriation or legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose.

Restricted Net Assets – In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets, net assets are reported as restricted when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws and regulations of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

E. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Required Supplementary Information. During the year ended June 30, 2007, expenditures did not exceed the amounts budgeted.

**(2) Cash and Pooled Investments**

The District's deposits in banks at June 30, 2007 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

The District is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the Board of Education; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

Investments are stated at fair value. Securities traded on a national or international exchange are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates.

At June 30, 2007, the District's investments are as follows:

Type	Fair Value
Common stock	\$ 7,615

Concentration of credit risk. The District places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer. More than 5 percent of the District's investments are in common stock. The District's investment in common stock is 100 percent of the District's total investments.

**(3) Interfund Transfers**

The detail of interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2007 is as follows:

Transfer to	Transfer from	Amount
Debt Service	Special Revenue:	
	Physical Plant and Equipment Levy	\$ 158,759
	Capital Projects:	
	School Infrastructure	
	Local Option	281,477
Total		\$ 440,236

Transfers generally move revenues from the fund statutorily required to collect the resources to the fund statutorily required to expend the resources.

**(4) Capital Assets**

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2007 was as follows:

	Balance Beginning of Year	Increases	Decreases	Balance End of Year
<b>Governmental activities:</b>				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 78,000	-	-	78,000
Construction in progress	257,781	122,131	(367,763)	12,149
Total capital assets not being depreciated	335,781	122,131	(367,763)	90,149
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings	11,440,972	392,481	-	11,833,453
Improvements other than buildings	1,101,418	-	-	1,101,418
Furniture and equipment	1,663,070	132,744	(134,978)	1,660,836
Total capital assets being depreciated	14,205,460	525,225	(134,978)	14,595,707
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	3,215,198	234,497	-	3,449,695
Improvements other than buildings	565,271	47,312	-	612,583
Furniture and equipment	1,078,102	121,367	(134,978)	1,064,491
Total accumulated depreciation	4,858,571	403,176	(134,978)	5,126,769
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	9,346,889	122,049	-	9,468,938
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 9,682,670	244,180	(367,763)	9,559,087
<b>Business type activities:</b>				
Furniture and equipment	\$ 271,471	32,393	(15,040)	288,824
Less accumulated depreciation	217,686	15,058	(13,323)	219,421
Business type activities capital assets, net	\$ 53,785	17,335	(1,717)	69,403

Depreciation expense was charged to the following functions:

Governmental activities:

Instruction:

Regular instruction	\$ 6,480
Other instruction	1,408

Support services:

Administration services	9,662
Operation and maintenance of plant services	10,754
Transportation services	93,064

121,368

Unallocated

281,808

Total depreciation expense - governmental activities

\$ 403,176

Business type activities:

Food service operations	\$ 15,058
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**(5) Long-Term Liabilities**

Changes in long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2007 are summarized as follows:

	Balance Beginning of Year	Additions	Reductions	Balance End of Year	Due Within One Year
General obligation bonds	\$ 4,555,000	-	295,000	4,260,000	315,000
General obligation capital loan notes	547,652	-	125,293	422,359	132,936
Early retirement	199,696	105,541	91,285	213,952	74,226
Compensated absences	52,516	65,614	63,393	54,737	54,737
Total	\$ 5,354,864	171,155	574,971	4,951,048	576,899

General Obligation Bonds

Details of the District's June 30, 2007 general obligation bond indebtedness are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Bond Issue of Mar 1, 1999			
	Interest Rates	Principal	Interest	Total
2008	4.10%	\$ 315,000	186,060	501,060
2009	4.10	320,000	173,145	493,145
2010	4.20	335,000	160,025	495,025
2011	4.25	350,000	145,955	495,955
2012	4.30	365,000	131,080	496,080
2013-2017	4.35-4.50	2,095,000	400,630	2,495,630
2018	4.60	480,000	22,080	502,080
Total		\$ 4,260,000	1,218,975	5,478,975

During the year ended June 30, 2007, the District retired \$295,000 of bonds.

General Obligation Capital Loan Notes

Details of the District's June 30, 2007 general obligation capital loan note indebtedness are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Capital Loan Note Issue of Aug 15, 2000			
	Interest Rate	Principal	Interest	Total
2008	6.10%	\$ 132,936	25,764	158,700
2009	6.10	141,045	17,655	158,700
2010	6.10	148,378	9,052	157,430
Total		\$ 422,359	52,471	474,830

During the year ended June 30, 2007, the District retired \$125,293 of notes.



### Early Retirement

The District offers a voluntary early retirement plan for employees. Eligible employees must be at least age fifty-five but not more than sixty-two on or before June 30 of the year in which the employee wishes to retire and employees must have completed fifteen years of service to the District. Employees must complete an application which is required to be approved by the Board of Education. The early retirement incentive shall not exceed the employee's current year salary or \$20,000, whichever is less. The early retirement incentive for each eligible employee is equal to the sum of 50% of the employee's unused accumulated sick leave plus 5% of the current salary times the years of service beyond fifteen years, subject to the limits previously stated. Early retirement benefits paid during the year ended June 30, 2007 totaled \$91,285.

## **(6) Pension and Retirement Benefits**

The District contributes to the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System (IPERS), which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits which are established by state statute to plan members and beneficiaries. IPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to IPERS, P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa, 50306-9117.

Plan members are required to contribute 3.70% of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute 5.75% of annual covered payroll for the years ended June 30, 2007, 2006 and 2005. Contribution requirements are established by state statute. The District's contributions to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2007, 2006 and 2005 were \$411,810, \$393,042, and \$367,483, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

## **(7) Risk Management**

Clarke Community School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft; damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. The District assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

## **(8) Area Education Agency**

The District is required by the Code of Iowa to budget for its share of special education support, media and educational services provided through the area education agency. The District's actual amount for this purpose totaled \$446,669 for the year ended June 30, 2007 and is recorded in the General Fund by making a memorandum adjusting entry to the financial statements.

## **(9) Subsequent Event**

In August 2007, the District entered into a construction contract for \$1,020,094 for a new central office and alternative education classrooms building.

### **Required Supplementary Information**

Clarke Community School District

Budgetary Comparison Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Balances -  
Budget and Actual – All Governmental Funds and Proprietary Funds

Required Supplementary Information

Year ended June 30, 2007

	Governmental Funds Actual	Proprietary Funds Actual	Total Actual
Revenues:			
Local sources	\$ 5,741,344	314,114	6,055,458
State sources	6,760,768	6,637	6,767,405
Federal sources	555,494	273,621	829,115
Total receipts	13,057,606	594,372	13,651,978
Expenditures:			
Instruction	7,750,658	-	7,750,658
Support services	3,619,943	-	3,619,943
Non-instructional programs	3,213	615,737	618,950
Other expenditures	1,266,874	-	1,266,874
Total disbursements	12,640,688	615,737	13,256,425
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements	416,918	(21,365)	395,553
Other financing sources, net	95,004	-	95,004
Excess (deficiency) of receipts and other financing sources over (under) disbursements and other financing uses	511,922	(21,365)	490,557
Balances beginning of year	2,664,906	241,181	2,906,087
Balances end of year	\$ 3,176,828	219,816	3,396,644

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Less Funds Not Required to be Budgeted	Net	Original and Final Budgeted Amounts	Budget to Net Variance
(32,526)	6,022,932	5,977,014	45,918
-	6,767,405	7,101,623	(334,218)
-	829,115	1,172,000	(342,885)
(32,526)	13,619,452	14,250,637	(631,185)
-	7,750,658	9,891,294	2,140,636
-	3,619,943	4,279,500	659,557
(25,726)	593,224	1,165,248	572,024
-	1,266,874	1,773,582	506,708
(25,726)	13,230,699	17,109,624	3,878,925
6,800	388,753	(2,858,987)	3,247,740
-	95,004	1,200	93,804
6,800	483,757	(2,857,787)	3,341,544
11,017	2,895,070	3,121,502	(226,432)
17,817	3,378,827	263,715	3,115,112

Clarke Community School District

Notes to Required Supplementary Information – Budgetary Reporting

Year ended June 30, 2007

This budgetary comparison is presented as Required Supplementary Information in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 41 for governments with significant budgetary perspective differences resulting from not being able to present budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund.

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the Board of Education annually adopts a budget following required public notice and hearing for all funds except Internal Service, Private Purpose Trust and Agency Funds. The budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures. The District's budget is prepared on a GAAP basis.

Formal and legal budgetary control for the certified budget is based upon four major classes of expenditures known as functions, not by fund. These four functions are instruction, support services, non-instructional programs and other expenditures. Although the budget document presents function expenditures or expenses by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated function level, not by fund. The Code of Iowa also provides District expenditures in the General Fund may not exceed the amount authorized by the school finance formula. The District did not amend the budget during the year.

During the year ended June 30, 2007, expenditures did not exceed the amounts budgeted.

### **Other Supplementary Information**

**Schedule 1**

## Clarke Community School District

Combining Balance Sheet  
Nonmajor Governmental Funds

June 30, 2007

	Special Revenue			Capital Projects	
	Manage-	Student	Debt	School	
	ment	Activity	Service	Infrastructure	
	Levy			Local Option	Total
<b>Assets</b>					
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 233,545	101,078	-	487,022	821,645
Receivables:					
Property tax:					
Delinquent	6,686	-	5,505	-	12,191
Succeeding year	248,000	-	271,000	-	519,000
Due from other governments	-	1,000	-	144,610	145,610
Prepaid insurance	3,004	-	-	-	3,004
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 491,235</b>	<b>102,078</b>	<b>276,505</b>	<b>631,632</b>	<b>1,501,450</b>
<b>Liabilities and Fund Equity</b>					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$ 2,313	1,273	-	-	3,586
Salaries and benefits payable	-	6,270	-	-	6,270
Deferred revenue:					
Succeeding year property tax	248,000	-	271,000	-	519,000
Other	3,155	-	2,597	-	5,752
Total liabilities	253,468	7,543	273,597	-	534,608
Fund equity:					
Fund balances:					
Reserved for debt service	-	-	2,908	-	2,908
Unreserved, reported in:					
Special revenue funds	237,767	94,535	-	-	332,302
Capital projects fund	-	-	-	631,632	631,632
Total fund equity	237,767	94,535	2,908	631,632	966,842
<b>Total liabilities and fund equity</b>	<b>\$ 491,235</b>	<b>102,078</b>	<b>276,505</b>	<b>631,632</b>	<b>1,501,450</b>

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Clarke Community School District  
Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures  
and Changes in Fund Balances  
Nonmajor Governmental Funds

Year ended June 30, 2007

	Special Revenue			Capital Projects		
	Manage- ment Levy	Student Activity	Debt Service	School Infrastructure Local Option	Total	
Revenues:						
Local sources:						
Local tax	\$ 230,019	-	189,374	810,623	1,230,016	
Other	9,694	242,178	2,255	23,087	277,214	
State sources	176	-	145	-	321	
Total revenues	239,889	242,178	191,774	833,710	1,507,551	
Expenditures:						
Current:						
Instruction:						
Regular instruction	101,806	-	-	-	101,806	
Special instruction	12,450	-	-	-	12,450	
Other instruction	2,158	236,554	-	-	238,712	
Support services:						
Student services	1,419	-	-	-	1,419	
Instructional staff services	971	-	-	-	971	
Administration services	10,064	121	-	62,816	73,001	
Operation and maintenance of plant services	44,698	1,683	-	30,753	77,134	
Transportation services	25,621	12,052	-	74,943	112,616	
Non-instructional programs	1,002	-	-	-	1,002	
Other expenditures:						
Facilities acquisition	-	-	-	125,114	125,114	
Long-term debt:						
Principal	-	-	420,293	-	420,293	
Interest and other charges	-	-	232,271	-	232,271	
Total expenditures	200,189	250,410	652,564	293,626	1,396,789	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	39,700	(8,232)	(460,790)	540,084	110,762	
Other financing sources (uses):						
Operating transfers in	-	-	440,236	-	440,236	
Operating transfers out	-	-	-	(281,477)	(281,477)	
Total other financing sources (uses)	-	-	440,236	(281,477)	158,759	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	39,700	(8,232)	(20,554)	258,607	269,521	
Fund balances beginning of year	198,067	102,767	23,462	373,025	697,321	
Fund balances end of year	\$ 237,767	94,535	2,908	631,632	966,842	

See accompanying independent auditor's report.



**Schedule 3**

## Clarke Community School District

## Schedule of Changes in Special Revenue Fund, Student Activity Accounts

Year ended June 30, 2007

Account	Balance Beginning of Year	Revenues	Expend- itures	Balance End of Year
Pop Music	\$ 1,075	463	-	1,538
Pop Athletics	2,566	3,218	2,235	3,549
Athletics	-	7,872	5,455	2,417
Publications	6,146	10,895	9,608	7,433
High School Band	2,881	28,215	29,217	1,879
High School Co-curricular	3,056	-	2,779	277
High School Vocal Music	13,941	17,072	26,070	4,943
Cheerleaders	2,764	2,998	2,214	3,548
Speech/Debate	-	4,663	4,663	-
FFA	5,047	25,202	30,249	-
FHA	891	69	-	960
Medical Careers Club	121	10	-	131
Boys Basketball	8,071	9,110	7,688	9,493
Football	5,209	16,713	13,733	8,189
Baseball	-	2,739	2,739	-
Boys Track	2,897	1,073	2,708	1,262
Wrestling	-	4,187	3,906	281
Girls Basketball	6,369	4,833	6,001	5,201
Volleyball	2,121	4,267	2,188	4,200
Softball	548	5,812	6,360	-
Girls Track	379	2,417	1,906	890
Camp - Boys Basketball	491	948	280	1,159
Camp - Football	1,780	5,836	4,690	2,926
Camp - Wrestling	59	5	-	64
Camp - Girls Basketball	569	402	441	530
Camp - Volleyball	690	54	-	744
Spanish Club	1,217	95	-	1,312
High School Student Council	-	2,079	1,467	612
Thespians	1,152	4,419	3,549	2,022

Clarke Community School District  
Schedule of Changes in Special Revenue Fund, Student Activity Accounts  
Year ended June 30, 2007

Account	Balance Beginning of Year	Revenues	Expend- itures	Balance End of Year
Class of:				
2006	1,575	-	1,575	-
2007	904	79	404	579
2008	2,943	3,491	5,448	986
2009	2,616	203	-	2,819
2010	3,537	275	-	3,812
2011	-	5,559	3,032	2,527
Art Club	6,509	825	6,721	613
Concessions	1,302	41,087	37,679	4,710
American Field Service	2,229	173	-	2,402
Vending Machine -				
Art/Cheerleaders	319	25	-	344
TOUCH	107	8	-	115
Media Club	340	27	-	367
Athletic Resale	(3,623)	6,240	9,848	(7,231)
Cross Country	-	475	475	-
Drill Team	1,923	2,545	1,679	2,789
FBLA	182	690	178	694
Elementary/Junior High				
Band Contest	-	41	-	41
Junior High Student Council	1,397	91	391	1,097
Elementary Student Council	8,372	7,071	5,636	9,807
After Prom	2,095	7,607	7,198	2,504
Total	\$ 102,767	242,178	250,410	94,535

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

**Clarke Community School District**

## Clarke Community School District

Schedule of Changes in Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities –  
Agency Fund

Year ended June 30, 2007

	Balance Beginning of Year	Additions	Deductions	Balance End of Year
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash	\$ 103,364	367,296	276,005	194,655
Accounts receivable	500	-	500	-
Due from other governments	2,600	2,559	2,600	2,559
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 106,464</b>	<b>369,855</b>	<b>279,105</b>	<b>197,214</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Accounts payable	\$ -	57,632	-	57,632
Due to other governments	-	100	-	100
Trusts payable	106,464	312,123	279,105	139,482
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 106,464</b>	<b>369,855</b>	<b>279,105</b>	<b>197,214</b>

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Clarke Community School District

Schedule of Revenues by Source and Expenditures by Function –  
All Governmental Funds

For the Last Six Years

	Modified Accrual Basis			
	2007	2006	2005	2004
Revenues:				
Local sources:				
Local tax	\$ 4,646,077	4,375,080	4,422,423	4,191,392
Tuition	374,400	339,497	345,637	333,122
Other	720,867	458,888	435,668	377,892
State sources	6,760,768	6,534,151	6,221,414	5,959,245
Federal sources	555,494	770,422	685,694	699,462
Total	<u>\$ 13,057,606</u>	<u>12,478,038</u>	<u>12,110,836</u>	<u>11,561,113</u>
Expenditures:				
Instruction:				
Regular instruction	\$ 4,778,673	4,337,840	4,344,951	4,118,312
Special instruction	1,813,039	1,918,914	2,251,134	2,091,487
Other instruction	1,158,946	1,136,067	636,728	572,922
Support services:				
Student services	300,624	306,632	284,522	337,336
Instructional staff services	350,389	271,461	317,425	321,255
Administration services	1,285,995	1,134,575	1,027,301	997,654
Operation and maintenance of plant services	1,076,053	1,021,613	888,722	817,383
Transportation services	606,882	655,476	432,681	463,895
Non-instructional programs	3,213	9,644	22,898	11,691
Other expenditures:				
Facilities acquisition	167,641	453,790	354,730	192,537
Long-term debt:				
Principal	420,293	403,090	386,300	364,902
Interest and other charges	232,271	250,806	272,720	286,673
Other	-	-	-	-
AEA flowthrough	446,669	421,018	410,502	410,482
Total	<u>\$ 12,640,688</u>	<u>12,320,926</u>	<u>11,630,614</u>	<u>10,986,529</u>

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2003	2002
3,736,749	3,627,428
389,967	344,846
396,302	396,875
6,044,538	5,900,376
428,237	481,141
10,995,793	10,750,666

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3,962,238	3,961,982
1,515,063	1,389,211
1,109,364	1,121,804
356,596	340,812
366,422	533,314
975,611	969,383
685,159	650,481
397,987	371,043
8,366	7,120
264,798	464,039
348,870	338,186
301,855	317,584
300	150
433,289	429,027
10,725,918	10,894,136

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**Schedule 6**

Clarke Community School District  
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards  
Year ended June 30, 2007

Grantor/Program	CFDA Number	Grant Number	Expen- ditures
Indirect:			
U.S. Department of Agriculture:			
Iowa Department of Education:			
Food Donation (non-cash)	10.550	FY07	\$ 35,646
School Nutrition Cluster Programs:			
School Breakfast Program	10.553	FY07	39,636
National School Lunch Program	10.555	FY07	198,339
			<u>237,975</u>
U.S. Department of Education:			
Iowa Department of Education:			
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	1211GC	20,725
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	1211G	205,108
			<u>225,833</u>
Migrant Education - State Grant Program	84.011	1211MC	9,314
Migrant Education - State Grant Program	84.011	1211M	22,369
			<u>31,683</u>
Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities - State Grants	84.186	FY07	2,210
State Grants for Innovative Programs	84.298	FY07	4,027
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	FY07	69,076
Grants for State Assessments and Related Activities	84.369	FY07	9,569
Green Valley Area Education Agency:			
Special Education - Grants to States	84.027	FY07	75,047
Southwestern Community College:			
Vocational Education - Basic Grants to States	84.048	FY07	16,650
Iowa Department of Education - Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services:			
Rehabilitation Services - Vocational Rehabilitation Grants to States	84.126	06-TAP-02	39,257
Total			<u>\$ 746,973</u>

**Basis of Presentation** – The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the federal grant activity of Clarke Community School District and is presented on the accrual or modified accrual basis of accounting. The information on this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

See accompanying independent auditor's report.



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Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control  
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Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with  
Government Auditing Standards

To the Board of Education of  
Clarke Community School District:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Clarke Community School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents, and have issued our report thereon dated September 20, 2007. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Clarke Community School District's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the effectiveness of Clarke Community School District's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Clarke Community School District's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of the control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects Clarke Community School District's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood a misstatement of Clarke Community School District's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by Clarke Community School District's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies that results in more than a remote likelihood a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by Clarke Community School District's internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.



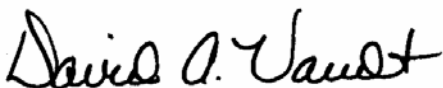
### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Clarke Community School District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of non-compliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the District's operations for the year ended June 30, 2007 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the District. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials, employees and citizens of Clarke Community School District and other parties to whom Clarke Community School District may report, including federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. This report is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of Clarke Community School District during the course of our audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.



DAVID A. VAUDT, CPA  
Auditor of State



WARREN G. JENKINS, CPA  
Chief Deputy Auditor of State

September 20, 2007

**Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance with Requirements Applicable  
to Each Major Program and on Internal Control over Compliance  
in Accordance with OMB Circular A-133**

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To the Board of Education of  
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Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Clarke Community School District with the types of compliance requirements described in U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement that are applicable to its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2007. Clarke Community School District's major federal programs are identified in Part I of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements applicable to its major federal programs is the responsibility of Clarke Community School District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Clarke Community School District's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether non-compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Clarke Community School District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on Clarke Community School District's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, Clarke Community School District complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2007.

Internal Control Over Compliance

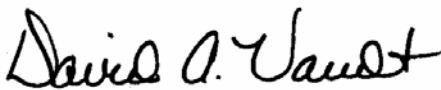
The management of Clarke Community School District is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered Clarke Community School District's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Clarke Community School District's internal control over compliance.

A control deficiency in the District's internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the District's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the District's internal control.

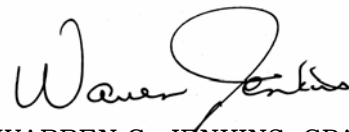
A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected by the District's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the District's internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses as defined below. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

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September 20, 2007

Clarke Community School District  
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs  
Year ended June 30, 2007

**Part I: Summary of the Independent Auditor's Results:**

- (a) Unqualified opinions were issued on the financial statements.
- (b) No material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting were noted.
- (c) The audit did not disclose any non-compliance which is material to the financial statements.
- (d) No material weaknesses in internal control over the major programs were noted.
- (e) An unqualified opinion was issued on compliance with requirements applicable to each major program.
- (f) The audit did not disclose audit findings which were required to be reported in accordance with Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, Section .510(a).
- (g) The major programs were as follows:
  - Clustered programs:
    - CFDA Number 10.553 – School Breakfast Program
    - CFDA Number 10.555 – National School Lunch Program
- (h) The dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs was \$300,000.
- (i) Clarke Community School District did qualify as a low-risk auditee.

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**Part II: Findings Related to the Financial Statements:**

**SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES:**

No material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting were noted.

**INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:**

No matters were noted.

**Part III: Findings and Questioned Costs For Federal Awards:**

**INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:**

No matters were noted.

**SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES:**

No material weaknesses in internal control over the major program were noted.

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**Part IV: Other Findings Related To Required Statutory Reporting:**

- IV-A-07 Certified Budget – Expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2007 did not exceed the budgeted amounts.
- IV-B-07 Questionable Expenditures – No expenditures we believe may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979 were noted.
- IV-C-07 Travel Expense – No expenditures of District money for travel expenses of spouses of District officials or employees were noted. No travel advances to District officials or employees were noted.
- IV-D-07 Business Transactions – No business transactions between the District and District officials or employees were noted.
- IV-E-07 Bond Coverage – Surety bond coverage of District officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to insure the coverage is adequate for current operations.
- IV-F-07 Board Minutes – No transactions requiring Board approval which had not been approved by the Board were noted.
- IV-G-07 Certified Enrollment – No variances in the basic enrollment data certified to the Department of Education were noted.
- IV-H-07 Deposits and Investments – Except as noted below, no instances of non-compliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa and the District's investment policy were noted.

The Private Purpose Trust, Scholarship Fund has an investment in common stock, which does not appear to be an investment permitted by Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Iowa and Chapter 12B.10 of the Code of Iowa. Since the money was originally donated to fund a scholarship and the stock was purchased in the 1930s, the District, based on advice of its legal counsel, believes it is in the best interest of this fund to continue owning the stock.

- IV-I-07 Certified Annual Report – The Certified Annual Report was filed with the Iowa Department of Education timely and we noted no significant deficiencies in the amounts reported.



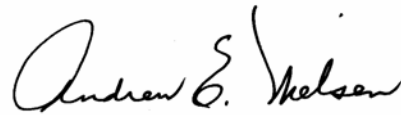
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Clarke Community School District

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Andrew E. Nielsen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Andrew" and last name "Nielsen" clearly legible.

Andrew E. Nielsen, CPA  
Deputy Auditor of State